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Multiple New Fires on the Klamath National Forest Detected

Yreka, CA – Recent thunderstorms over the Klamath National Forest have started numerous fires on the forest. Most of them have been quickly suppressed by initial attack fire crews. Two fires have been discovered in remote, steep terrain on the west side of the Forest that may become difficult to contain.

The Craggy Fire is estimated to be 15 acres in size and burning actively uphill near the China Peak area, six miles east of the community of Oak Knoll and south of the Klamath River and State Highway 96. The other fire of concern is the Buckhorn Fire, burning near the Buckhorn Bally Lookout, southeast of the Beaver Creek Campground, with no size estimate. No structures are immediately threatened by either of these fires.

Reconnaissance aircraft will continue to patrol northern California today searching for any new fires.

The human-caused fire discovered near the community of Happy Camp yesterday, along State Highway 96 (in the Cade Mountain area) has been contained and crews will be working to fully control that fire today.

The lightning-caused Tamarack Fire, discovered late yesterday, has been contained. It is located near Garner Mountain, at the south east end of the Goosenest Ranger District.

Ten lightning-caused fires have been reported on lands protected by CalFire in Siskiyou County and all have been contained.

Lightning is again predicted for today, and fire managers are prepared to quickly respond to any reported fire.